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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

Pres HARRY S TRUMAN, speaking at a Nat'l Housing Conf, against "the real estate lobby": "There have been certain things happening in this country that have been right down the alley Mr Stalin wants us to go."

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DAN TOBIN, pres, AF of L Teamsters Internat'l: "There's no difference between the Republicans and the Democrats. They're both against labor."

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JOHN FOSTER DULLES, Republican for'gn-policy expert, addressing Nat'l Political Science Inst, Paris: "Western Allies should tell Russia and Red China they will reply to armed aggression in Asia with full military retaliation. If Communists knew this in advance, I am convinced they would not commit aggression."

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Sen FRANK CARLSON, (R-Kans), urging reduction of for'gn aid: "Since we are calling for sacrifices and belt-tightening by Americans

and urging our people to get along on less, in all justice we must do the same thing in countries we are helping."

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ARNOLD TOYNBEE, British historian, lecturing in U S: "Everything that happens in the world poses a problem to America. You must learn to live with your present troubles. And you must expect those problems to last a long time. Nations that have great power need great patience."

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Unidentified supporter of Sen Estes Kefauver: "That damned coonskin cap has made him an institution. . . . It really seems like God has put His hand on Estes' shoulder and said, 'Go forth, young man, and be president!'"

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WINSTON CHURCHILL, British prime minister warning of further measures to prevent British bankruptcy: "The medicine is bitter and the taste lingers while the cure has only just begun."

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T W E L F T H Y E A R O F P U B L I C A T I O N



The factor that breeds nat'l emergencies, such as the steel imbroglio, is, of course, the prevalence of industry-wide bargaining. For this condition labor and mg't are jointly responsible. While labor took the initiative, mg't was not oblivious to the advantages of presenting a solid front. The fact remains, however, that a union can, if it elects to do so, strike against an individual employer and avoid such penalties as gov't seizure, or even the Taft-Hartley injunction, which is applicable only in a nat'l emergency, involving stoppage of essential services.

There is growing talk of a law to curb industry-wide bargaining. And even some labor unions have begun to see disadvantages in the plan. But the issue is too controversial for an election yr.

Two proposed measures dealing with emergency seizure merit our attention: Sen Wayne Morse (R-Ore), a marked liberal, has a bill authorizing seizure of private

plants and providing for compulsory arbitration. The Senate Labor Comm, pro-union, is likely to take favorable action. Administration and union support. A chance in the Senate. House won't concur.

In the House, Rep Howard Smith (D-Va) introduces a bill for indefinite receiverships, both company and union, with a provision prohibiting gov't arbitration or recommendations. Labor opposes on ground that a condition of virtual *status quo* thus established favors employers. There is virtually no chance of enactment.

Sen Taft and associates are working on changes in Taft-Hartley law, to be offered as a substitute for the Morse bill, if it becomes an issue.

Actually, the bill has not yet been drafted. It will originate in the House; will give the President specific power to seize industries but will place definite limitations upon him. Such a temperate measure would have good chance of passage. Whether the Senate would go along depends upon conditions not yet clarified.

In the long run we may have to rely upon Constitutional Amendment—a tedious road since states would have to ratify the change to make it effective.



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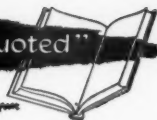
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ACTION—1

In order to make a place in the sun for yourself . . . you have to be a shade better than the next fellow.—T HARRY THOMPSON, *Sales Management*.

AGRICULTURE—2

Agricultural production per man-hr increased 35% from '40 to '51, while production per man-hr in industry gained only 11% in that time, Under-Sec'y of Agriculture states. And farmers in '51 produced 25% more food with only 1% more harvested acres than in '40.—*Dairymen's League News*.

ART—3

To paint a fine picture is far more important than to sell it.—EDW ALDEN JEWELL, *American Artist*.

BIBLE—4

Don't think the Bible is dry inside because it is dusty outside.—*Sunshine Mag.*

CIVICS—5

In the end people get not the sort of town they want, but the sort they deserve. The town is not just a node of commerce, administration and culture. It is a symbol of a gen'l philosophy. Today our philosophy is confused and despairing and so are our towns.—ERIC DE MARE, "Buttoning Up," *Architectural Review*, London, 4-'52.

CIVILIZATION—6

Bongo! Bongo! Bongo! The International Labor Organization has

announced a world-wide study of the conditions of forest-dwelling aborigines so as to facilitate their integration into the social order. Apparently, nobody is to be allowed to escape "civilization."—U S A.

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It Makes Scents

Why reeks the goat
On yonder hill
Who seems to dote
On chlorophyll?

—RICHARD ARMOUR, *Chemical & Engineering News*. 7

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COMMUNISM—vs Religion—8

Communists are 100 per centers and not likely to be impressed by Christians who give only 50% to the religion which they claim is superior to the atheism of the Marxist.—DOUGLAS HYDE, *Information*.

COMPENSATION—9

The personnel mgr in one big organization keeps a bowl of goldfish on his desk. No, he wasn't particularly interested in fish culture, he explained to a friend. "It's just that it's nice to have something around here that opens its mouth without asking for a raise."—*Voice Writing*, hm, Edison of Canada.

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Counseling Graduating Volcanoes

Just now I cannot speak an exhortation to thrill your class upon its graduation. I first must act as ethical advisor to 40 young volcanoes and a geyser, reprove a hurricane, while also showing the Mississippi how to do its flowing; instruct a thunderhead in lightning-making, and teach an earthquake due restraint in quaking. Thus, having calmed some waterspouts and squalls, and preached a sermon to Niagara Falls, I may feel better qualified to give advice to Youth, and how it ought to live.—ARTHUR GUTTERMAN, quoted in *Rays of Sunshine*. 10

CONSTITUTION—11

The Constitution of a country may be wiser than the people—but it's never any stronger.—*Animator*, hm, Alexander Film Co.

COST-OF-LIVING—12

The human race must be getting stronger. Back in the early 30's it took two men to carry \$2's worth of groceries. Now any little boy can carry that much.—*Christian Herald*.

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Mrs Adams called the local butcher before she went out: "Send me 50 cents worth of steak and if I'm not at home just tell them to poke it thru the keyhole."—*Imp*.

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EDUCATION—13

The advantage of a classical education is that it helps you to despise the wealth it prevents you from earning.—*Glasgow Evening Times*, Scotland.

EGOTISM—14

If you pat yourself on the back regularly, people will soon give you plenty of elbow room.—*Man's Shop*, hm, House of Ensign (S Africa).

FAITH—vs Fear—15

If fear is cultivated, it will be stronger. If faith is cultivated, it will achieve the mastery. We have a right to believe that faith is the stronger emotion because it is positive, whereas fear is negative.—JOHN PAUL JONES, Brooklyn, N Y, clergyman.

FOOD—Production—16

Today we are at the crossroads—either we learn how to scientifically fertilize plants for the production of food both quantitatively and qualitatively adequate for survival, or we reduce our world population by the slow process of starvation until we finally reach a balance with nature's way of doing things. Nature can no longer cope with the pace man has set—in the future fertile soils can remain fertile only as man learns, thru science, to keep them fertile.—ROGER H BRAY, *The Chemist*.

FOREIGN TRADE—17

A new degree, Bachelor of Foreign Trade, is now being offered to graduates of the American Institute for Foreign Trade at Thunderbird Field, Arizona.—*College and University*.

FRIENDSHIP—18

A life that is worthy of its friendships is sure to find that there is no dearth of friendship in life.—*R & R Mag*, hm, Insurance Research & Review Service.

FUTURE—19

Our reliance in this country is on the inquiring, individual human mind. Our strength is founded there: our resilience, our ability to face an ever-changing future and to master it. We are not frozen into the backward-facing impotence of those societies, fixed in the rigidity of an official dogma, to which the future is the mirror of the past. We are free to make the future for ourselves. — ARCHIBALD MACLEISH, *Freedom is the Right to Choose: An Inquiry Into the Battle for the American Future* (Beacon).

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I see that Truman claims he has inherent power to seize any industry, if such action is in the interest of the people. Upon what meat does this our Seizer feed, that he has grown so great?—Jos J Good, *Lexington* (Ky) *Herald*. 20

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GOD—and Man—21

A man may be lifted out of the slums without God, but only God can lift the slums out of him.—*Christian Union Herald*.

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Promises to God should be as binding as those you make at a bank.—*Religious Telescope*.



In the parlance of the paddock we'd say it's about a 4-1 bet that a compromise aspirant will not triumph in the Republican Nat'l Convention. True, the 2 leading contenders are likely to come up the home stretch neck-and-neck as to pledged delegates. But the strong probabilities are that one or the other will win in the subsequent balloting. The reasoning back of this assumption is that realistic Republicans in both factions want a Nov victory. All polls, public and private, indicate that either Taft or Eisenhower is likely to glean more votes than any available alternate.

No Republican is going to be nominated this yr on the 1st ballot, but as one man gains in successive tallies, the normal expectation is that the usual band-wagon scramble will develop. Of course there is always the possibility of a schism so bitter that neither Taft or Eisenhower can attain the required delegates. In that case, the man to watch is MacArthur. (Stassen and Warren have pretty well eliminated themselves in weak primary showings.) A keynote speech by MacArthur as moving as the "Old Soldier" discourse of last spring could exert a profound influence on the delegation.

Next wk we shall discuss with you the current situation with respect to the various Democratic Presidential aspirants.

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Super-Nightmare

Nothing in a lifetime has given us such a spasm of the horrors as this talk about a man-made satellite, five hundred miles off the earth, as a starting point for rockets to the moon and as a launching point for rockets against enemies on earth.

If competition is set up in synthetic satellites, each major nation will doubtless have its own—buzzing around in space, making black spots in our garden's sunlight and getting between us and the moon and stars. They will probably have unexpected effects on our tides and possibly our seasons. The dehumanized creatures that managed to wangle a state of life by chemical miracles from their airless environment would doubtless evolve into something like "The Thing." The presence of such uncalled for intruders in the ether might so upset the normal scheme of things that life on earth would become an ordeal beyond human endurance.

When man begins to monkey with the universe we hope that a merciful Providence will take effective measures to "include us OUT."—S A C *Sidelights*, hm, Securities Acceptance Corp'n. 22

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GOSSIP—23

We are so often taken up by back yard gossip that we miss the beauty of the front door chimes.—EVAN C PEDRICK, *Christian Advocate*.

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GOVERNMENT—Inflation—24

Big gov't is the most inflated thing in the U S today.—Sen HARRY F BYRD of Va, *Public Utilities Fortnightly*.

HAPPINESS—25

Happiness never lays its fingers on its pulse.—A SMITH, *Ladies' Home Jnl*.

HEALTH—26

The average business executive gets less regular medical examination than his employees—and dies 6 yrs sooner.—*Business Wk*.

HUNGER—27

Empty stomachs invite revolutions. Full stomachs seek solutions.—ERNEST R CHAMBERLAIN, "Multi-Purpose Food," *Gen'l Federation Clubwoman*, 4-'52.

INFLATION—28

As the conservative member of the little church dropped a half dollar instead of a quarter into the collection plate, the dignified gentleman proffering it leaned over and whispered, "It's deeply gratifying, sir, to see that you finally recognize inflation is with us."—*Christian Science Monitor*.

INGENUITY—29

The man at the football park had arrived well before the kickoff to get a front-row stance at the wall.

Just as the teams came out he was joined by a stranger, who bore two cardboard cups of tea.

"Want a drink?" asked the new arrival. "I jist bought them to get thru the crowd. Ye can aye get tae the front if ye've twa cups o' tea in yer hand."—*People's Jnl*, England.

IRONY—30

A hardy native of Sidney, Australia, having in his time been bitten 12 times by poisonous snakes, run over 7 times by bicycles and 4 times by cars, and 9 times wed, was finally done to death by a wasp sting—in his 100th yr.—*U N World*.

LABOR—Relations—31

It does not matter a docken how good things are at the top, if these policies and these plans cannot be translated into precise and effective execution at the foot. That is why your foremen are so vitally important. They are the only people who can *make* your plans work.—KENNETH OCHILTREE, "The Man in the Bowler Hat," *Scotland*, Edinburgh.

LAW—Lawyers—32

Two lawyers were talking shop. "I'm having quite a little trouble with Smith," said one. "It's about my fee. You know how hard I worked for him. I took him thru all the steps, right up to the Supreme Court. The conviction held, of course, and he got 10 yrs. I charged him \$5,000, which I thought was little enough for all the time I put in, but he contends it's too much. What do you think?"

"Well," pondered the 2nd lawyer, "of course you did a lot of work on the case, and \$5,000 isn't a large fee, but frankly my opinion is that he might have been convicted for a lot less money."—DAN BENNETT.

LOVE—33

Love-making hasn't changed much in 2500 yrs. Greek maidens, too, used to sit all evening and listen to a lyre.—*Sunshine*.

"Of all things!"

Marking the 345th anniv of the birth of John Harvard, a truth comes belatedly to light: the famed statue in Harvard Univ Yard isn't a likeness of John, altho erected in his honor. It seems "2 other fellows" posed for the sculptor. Harvard, a bachelor who died at the early age of 31, never sat for a portrait and no one has even a vague idea of what he looked like.

Movie moguls have a troublesome decision. How far shall they play along with TV? Fearing the wrath of theatre operators they have, up to now, released chiefly films of the Model T era. However, the FCC "unfreeze" bringing a potential of 2,000 new TV stations, increases pressure for more recent films. One studio, rumor has it, has been offered \$10 million for TV rights on packet of 600 films. And there is, of course, the telephone hookup idea, offering TV families a current film for a nominal fee. Tested in Chicago with so-so results, some producers still feel it has great possibilities.

Altho coronation date of Queen Elizabeth II was not set until last wk (June 2, '53) London agencies have long been receiving applications for tickets to view the parade. One agent has allocated 10,000 tickets on assumption the route will be same as for coronation of George VI.

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Canadian Business was intrigued and vaguely concerned by the recent article in *Fortune* (reprinted in *Life*) on the subjugation and standardization of Company Wives in the Big Business picture. Started a survey of their own to learn if practice had spread across the border. Results set forth in April issue ("Leave My Wife Alone!"). They found Canadian execs somewhat amused by situation in the U S; no indication that wife is likely to become integrated with the company. As one Canadian put it: "My wife doesn't even know what business I'm in."

The nudists hold, and perhaps sincerely, that they are motivated solely by cultural and educational urges, they are having little luck in getting their mags on newsstands. N Y Supreme Ct has just upheld ban on *Sunshine & Health* and the *Sun Mag*, holding that they contribute to juvenile delinquency and sex crimes.

An Australian economist, writing in a London jnl — *Lloyd's Bank Review*, for April—makes the assertion that more Americans must ret'n to the farms, or U S will eventually become an importer of foodstuffs on an ever-increasing scale. With population rising 1% a year, he says it's merely a matter of mathematics.

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MANAGEMENT—34

The remedy for most management problems is affirmative administration rather than negative legislation. — ELIAS HUZAR, *The Purse and the Sword* (Cornell Univ Press).

MATERIALISM—35

If all the gold in the world were melted down into a solid cube it would be about the size of an 8-room house. If a man got possession of all that gold—billions of dollars' worth—he could not buy a friend, character, peace of mind, clear conscience, or a sense of eternity.—CHAS F BANNING, *Forbes Scrap Book* (Forbes).

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Ode To An Aching Back

The beautiful spring
Doesn't look so hot
When you've spent 2 days
On the garden plot!—Seng
Fellowship News, hm, Seng
Company. 36

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MEDICINE—Socialized—37

A joke often quoted in England today highlights the plight of the medical practitioner who must spend hrs day and night in filling out forms. "The doctor isn't interested any more in medical equipment," so runs the saying, "all he needs now is a supply of fountain pens." — Dr RALPH A REYNOLDS, "A Doctor Looks at State Medicine," *U S A*, 5-'52.

MODERATION—38

Moderation is the silken string running thru the pearl chain of all virtues.—Jos HALL, Bishop of Norwich.

Pathways to the Past



Week of
June 1-8

Dairy Month
Nat'l Ragweed Control Month
Ice Cream Festival Month
American Fresh-Water Pearl Month

June 1—Son's Day . . . 200 yrs ago Benj Franklin made his historic experiment with a kite and a key, in a thunderstorm. Actually, tho he did not know it, 3 French scientists anticipated his lightning experiment by a month. They read the theory in a book Franklin had published; tested it successfully in May 1752. Franklin erected the 1st lightning rods in Philadelphia, 200 yrs ago this month.

June 2—Lizzie Borden died 25 yrs ago today, aged 67. Ask Grandma. She will tell you that as a young girl Lizzie was the principal in one of the most sensational murder-mystery trials of that era. Miss Borden's parents were discovered brutally hacked to death. She was put on trial, vindicated largely because no weapon was ever found. Lizzie continued living in the old homestead at Fall River, Mass until her death. Two yrs ago wreckers, demolishing the house, found in a secret panel, a rusty, blood-stained hatchet!

June 3—15 yrs ago the former King Edw VIII, of England, married "the woman I love," Wallis Warfield Simpson. H L Mencken, Baltimore journalist, called it "the greatest news story since the Resurrection."

10 Years Ago

From the files of QUOTE: "All I want to do is give them the greatest death scene ever." So spoke John Barrymore. Unconscious at death, he missed his last cue . . . But Joe Jackson, veteran "tramp" actor, dying in the wings of a N Y theatre, after completing his act, smiled and murmured, "Listen! They're still applauding!" . . . Said Gertrude Lawrence, on an American tour: "For an actress, the curtain is always up!"

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June 5—35 yrs ago the 1st group of young American men were registering for the draft—World War I . . . 5 yrs ago today, Sec'y of State Geo C Marshall, speaking at a Harvard Univ commencement, set forth his plan for what subsequently became the Marshall Plan to aid Europe.

June 6—D-Day. 8 yrs ago today greatest amphibious force in history, composed of American, British, Canadian and Allied troops, landed in Normandy . . . Chicago Elevated Ry, popularly known as "the El" began operation 60 yrs ago. Ran originally between Congress and 39th sts. In '07 began doubling back, forming the "loop" from which Chicago business district takes its name.

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Letter to St Peter

ELMA DEAN

Let them in, Peter, they are very tired;
Give them the couches where the angels sleep.
Let them wake whole again to new dawns fired
With sun, not war. And may their peace be deep.
Remember where the broken bodies lie . . .
And give them things they like.
Let them have noise,
God knows how young they were to have to die!
Give swing bands, not gold harps, to these our boys.
Let them love, Peter—they have had no time—
Girls sweet as meadow wind, with flowering hair . . .
They should have trees and bird song, hills to climb—
The taste of summer in a ripened pear.
Tell them how they are missed.
Say not to fear;
It's going to be all right with us down here.—*American Mercury.*

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MODERN AGE—39

Today we have atomic power, miracle drugs, jet propulsion, synthetic cloth, and life expectancy at a new peak. The average man lives in splendor undreamed of by kings of old. But at the same time we have bribery in nat'l defense, gam-

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blers in city halls, youthful dope addicts, basketball scandals and West Point cribbers.—JAS H HALSEY, "Higher Education's Appalling Responsibilities," *Educational Record*, 4-'52.

PATIENCE—40

It doesn't pay to blow up when a tire does. The opinions of those with you are much harder to change.—*Lexington (Ky) Herald.*

PEOPLE—41

It is especially important in these times to know how to get along with people, because you just have to get along without money.—O A BATTISTA.

POLITICS—42

We must get rid of the fallacious idea that politics is no life for a lady or gentleman and put more ladies and gentlemen in it. . . . Politics is what we make it. We need to stop getting onto gov't and start getting into it. — JOHN B SHEPPERD, Texas Sec'y of State.

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My experience is, altho there are exceptions, that contrary to other fields of activity, in politics the men do the talking and the women do the work.—Sen ROBT A TAFT, of Ohio.

PREJUDICE—43

Dr Ralph Bunche, UN diplomat, speaking on cultural, racial and religious prejudices, used this illustration:

"We find ourselves in much the same spot as the Australian aborigine who was a skilled thrower of the boomerang. One day some friends, noticing his weapon was getting battered and worn, gave

him a fine new one. His delight soon turned to frustration and despair for he found himself unable to throw away the old one. Like our prejudices, it always came back." — *KVP Philosopher*, hm, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Company.

PROGRESS—44

What makes the world go round is the temptation to attempt something that can't be done, and to succeed.—*Information*.

RELIGION—45

I think it is pretty well demonstrated in the experience of the human race that man cannot attain his full stature as a rightly fashioned person without the inspiration and guidance of religion. It makes one feel himself to be a citizen of an enlarged universe—a 2-storied world to which he belongs, the upper story as real as the basic material one. — RUFUS JONES, *A Call To What is Vital* (Macmillan).

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Our youth are being trained for private living and world responsibility with little guidance from the great moral directives . . . and with less knowledge of the spiritual resources of religious faith.—WOODBRIDGE O JOHNSON, "Cure for a Blind Spot in American Education," *Christian Education*, 3-52.

RISK—46

The fisherman who is afraid to risk his bait will never catch a fish. The farmer who refuses to take his seed corn to the field for fear of losing a few grains on the way, will never reap a harvest.—*American Baptist*.



Leon Seltzer, editor of *Columbia-Lippincott Gazetteer of The World*, published last wk, tells a fascinating story of building the Russian section from picture-puzzle scraps of data gathered over a period of 5 yrs. Foundation for research was a smuggled copy of the *Great Russian Atlas*, hastily withdrawn from circulation shortly after publication in '39. Key discovery: each color of the book's elaborate maps represented a distinct industry . . . This Columbia-Lippincott venture contains 2,000 pages, 5 million words. The most exhaustive venture for a generation. Price: \$50.

In *The Farmer Takes a Hand* (Doubleday) Marquis Childs has written the exciting story of the Electrical Power Revolution in rural America. Twenty yrs ago, only one farm home in 10 had electricity. Today, it lightens labors on nine-tenths of American farms. Since this is the story of rural electrification, it is, of course, also the story of farm co-ops, whose 3 million mbrs have built a million mi's of new electric lines.

FTC is again gunning for publishers who make too free use of the word "free" in ads. Their special target: the book clubs. Word can be used only where there is absolutely no payment of any kind.

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Beatitudes for a Housewife

Blessed is she whose daily tasks are a labor of love, for she translates duty into privilege.

Blessed is she who mends stockings and toys and broken hearts, for her understanding is a balm to humanity.

Blessed is she who serves laughter and smiles at every meal, for she shall be blessed with goodness.

Blessed is she who preserves the sanctity of the Christian home, for hers is a sacred trust that crowns her with dignity.
—*Cheerful News.* 47

SCIENCE—48

True science should be the true democracy and I am inclined to believe that if we could replace the financiers, the politicians and the war mongers of the earth by a council of true scientists, the gov't of the world would take a turn for the better and it might be on earth as it is in Heaven.—IVOR GRIFFITH, "Operation Knowledge — Public Relations With Science," *American Jnl of Pharmacy*, 1-'52.

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The application of science sooner or later comes to an end unless new concepts are developed or the conceptual scheme extended. The applied scientist reaches the dead end of a road and calls to his colleague in the university labora-

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tory for new supplies of scientific knowledge.—JAS B CONANT, "Science and Politics," *Foreign Affairs*.

SCIENCE—Simplicity—49

Atomic structure, spectroscopy, and astrophysics are not usually considered to be topics for light conversation, but they could be. They are far less complex than politics. — ROY K MARSHALL, *The Nature of Things* (Holt).

SEXES—50

A college senior dated a young lady from a nearby girls' school a few times. Then some wks passed, and when she hadn't heard from him, she sent a telegram reading: DEAD, DELAYED OR DISINTERESTED?

To which the young man promptly wired back: HUNTING, FISHING OR TRAPPING?—*Port Arthur News.*

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I mused while shaving that no woman will ever be elected Pres (of the U S A, I mean) so long as women bustle up to a counter and insist on being waited on ahead of any number of men who've been standing there longer. — HARLAN MILLER, *Ladies' Home Journal*.

SUCCESS—51

There was once a man obsessed with the idea that there was a secret known to those who achieved success. To discover this secret he devoted yrs to study and research. Ancient Masonry, philosophy, astrology, psychology, salesmanship, religious beliefs, the various cults that have had their rise and fall—all these he studied long and diligently. Finally he gave his conclusion, and it came in 2 short words: "I will."—*Sunshine Mag.*

TAXES—52

An est'd 30% of the retail price you now have to pay for an automobile is taxes.—LAWRENCE GALTON, *American Mag.*

VISION—53

Works of true merit are seldom very popular in their own day; for knowledge is on the march and men of genius are the videttes that are far in advance of their comrades. They are not with them, but before them; not in the camp, but beyond it.—*Megiddo Message.*

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“With this ring . . .”

Men, not women, were the 1st to wear rings.

A Roman slave, when freed, wore a ring of iron; gold rings were badges of citizenship.

Gauls and Britons issued a code on ring wearing: Thumb, doctors; index finger, merchants; middle finger, fools; annular finger, students; small finger, lovers.

Pliny recommended the prevention and cure of coughing and sneezing by shifting a ring from a finger on the left hand to the middle finger of the right hand. — *Sunday Star*, Washington, D C. 54

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VOICE OF AMERICA—55

World's largest radio network is now the State Dep't's Voice of America. Congressional testimony holds the “Voice,” which beams news in 46 languages, is “bigger than the 3 largest broadcasting systems in the U S.”—*Cue.*



From Prague comes the story of 3 workers arrested by orders of the Communist factory mgr. One arrived at work 15 mins too early. The 2nd arrived exactly on time. The 3rd arrived 15 min's late. All 3 were shot.

The 1st for revolutionary deviationism. The 2nd for bourgeois conformism. The 3rd for Titoist sabotage.—JAMES MCIVOR, *Scottish Daily Mail.*

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After a meeting in Moscow with several representatives from Iron Curtain countries, Stalin missed his brief case containing important documents. He sent for the chief of the political police and ordered all of the visitors arrested.

Next day the brief case was found, and Stalin telephoned instructions that the prisoners should be released.

“Too late,” he was told. “They have all confessed.” — *Evening Standard*, London.

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WORRY—57

Little worries are mental, great worries intestinal. — GEO COULTER, quoted in *Family Circle.*

YOUTH—Age—57

Youth is the pursuit of the unattainable and middle age the realization of its unattainability.—J F G E MATHEWS, *Evening Standard*, London.

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Good Stories.....

you can use

✓ This took place at Boston College during a lecture by a young priest.

The prof, after long discourse, asked for questions. A student arose and demanded documentary proof of various statements made in the lecture. The prof admitted he had no proof with him, altho it was easily obtainable. Unabashed, the show-off repl'd, "Well, sir, until you can produce documentary evidence, do you mind if for the time being I call you a liar?"

The stunned audience waited for the prof to find his voice. Then he quietly asked the student for his parents' marriage certificate. Unable to produce it, the student sat dumbfounded as the prof said, "Well, sir, until you can produce the documentary evidence, would you mind if I called you an impertinent young bastard?"—**RICHARD K MALCOLM, True.** a

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In the early 19th century, British consuls were not selected by competitive examination but were appointed merely on recommendation by personal friends of cabinet officers. When Lord Palmerston was sec'y of for'gn affairs, an acquaintance asked him to appoint a relative to a minor consulate. Knowing the man suggested was an inveterate gambler, Palmerston said, "Very well. Call tomorrow and I'll have the papers ready for you to sign."

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

ARVA O BREWTON

One of my duties, while I was connected with the Fed'l Penitentiary in Atlanta was the censoring of prisoners' outgoing mail.

A high percentage of our inmates were men who had gotten into difficulties with the Internal Revenue Dep't, including a goodly number convicted for making moonshine whisky in the remote Southern m't'n areas. These chaps—many of them young men—were my special interest. Some of the moonshiners could neither read nor write, but one of the more educated youngsters wrote his mother, a couple of wks after arrival. This was the complete content of his missive:

"Dear Ma:

"Ma, it's down here like it is most everywhere — mighty near all Baptists."

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"What papers?" asked the suppliant.

"Why," ret'd Palmerston, "you know, don't you, that whoever recommends a consul is responsible for all the money that passes thru the consul's hands?" The matter was dropped right there.—*Property*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's. b



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✓ A farmer hauled a load of produce to an asylum. One of the inmates was assigned to help unload the produce. Pausing for a rest, the farmer asked, "You ever do any farming?" "Oh, yeah, I've farmed," the helper repl'd and went back to work. After while he said to the farmer, "You ever live in an asylum?" "No". "Well, I can tell you this much," said the inmate, "it beats farmin'!"—*Cap-per's Wkly.* c

What we need in this country is not more dollars but dollars that buy more.—LOUIS BROMFIELD.

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Many a man is a pessimist because of the taxes the optimists have put on him.—RAYMOND DUNCAN, Ellaville (Ga) Sun.

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A woman driver is a person who drives the same way a man does only she gets blamed for it.—Ind Telephone News, hm, Indiana Bell Telephone Co.

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A young officer who was nothing if not efficient was inspecting Selective Service Hdqrs in the South. Noting that the number of desks, telephones, and typewriters seemed far in excess of personnel, he asked one of the girls, "What is the normal complement of this office?"

The girl was puzzled only for a moment. "Well, suh," she repl'd, "Ah reckon the most usual compliment is 'Howdy, honey, you're sure luscious-lookin' this mawn-in'.'"—*Long Lines.* d

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A lady came into our local Western Union office to file a telegram in which she used a few words over the minimum. "That's \$1.64," the clerk told her. "You have 3 words over the 10 allowed."

"Oh, that's too high," the woman exclaimed. "Besides, you owe me 3 words from the last telegram I sent."—R M TORTY, True: e

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"In teaching shorthand and type-writing we make a great point of accuracy," the head of the business college explained.

"And how about the speed?" asked the prospective student.

The college head thought a moment. "Well, out of last yr's class, 16 married their employers within 3 mo's."—*Cape Argus.* f

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A nun was telling with evident glee of a geography test among her 2nd and 3rd-grade students in which she asked where the German people came from, the French people, the Italian, the English, etc. All went well until she finally asked, "And where do the Irish come from?" Then came the answer with resounding certitude: "From Notre Dame!" — *Information.* g

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Quote-ettes

JACK L. WARNER, of Warner Bros., commenting on progress in motion picture industry: "We have learned that nothing can be so fatal as sitting and waiting for the future."

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Sen RICHARD B. RUSSELL (D-Ga.): "I'm the only man in the race who can really fill the new White House." (A bachelor, Sen Russell has 12 brothers and sisters—all married and with upwards of 35 children.)

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RAYMOND CABLE, 25, professional beggar, arrested on sts of Chicago: "I travel from city to city by plane and make \$35 to \$40 a day."

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SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the **NEW**

Bell Telephone Laboratories have developed new and improved portable field telephone set for the Signal Corps. It is lighter than present set, weighing only about 8 lbs instead of the current 11. And it's smaller, about the size of a loaf of bread.

New plastics used for handset; entire set is so rugged it should survive parachute drops easily. Different circuit arrangements are available with the flick of a switch: common battery, local battery or combination. In emergency, set runs on voice power alone.

Another new feature: set works at 40 degrees below zero, in heat of 130 degrees, and at altitudes of 10,000 ft. Completely waterproofed by series of gasket seals. "Push-to-talk" bar instead of button permits use by soldier wearing heavy arctic mitts.

While definite pressure is needed to press bar down, it can be held in talk position with very little pressure, lessening fatigue for user.

This field set will soon undergo rigid engineering tests by Army, and, based on acceptance following that, will go into regular production.

